Bear Paw Battlefield Bird Species List

Relative abundances of 53 bird species at Bear Paw Battlefield, Blaine County, Montana, from February 6, 1999 to December 14, 1999; 4 = abundant, 3 = common, 2 = uncommon or infrequent, 1 = rare; also shown are mean point count results and breeding status.

		Birds/Cour	nt Density				Abundance	Breedina
Species	Total # ^a	Period ^a	(Birds/ha)	^a 90% CI ^a	Total # ^b %	of totalb	Category	Status
American white pelican					2	0.4	2	М
Great blue heron					2	0.4	2	T
Canada goose					7	1.3	3	T
American wigeon					6	1.1	3	M
Mallard					22	4.2	4	L
Northern shoveler					1	0.2	2	M
Northern pintail					1	0.2	2	M
Bald eagle					1	0.2	2	M
Northern harrier	4	0.13	0.135	0.136	41	7.8	4	В
Red-tailed hawk ^d							1	Т
Ferruginous hawk					5	0.9	2	В
Golden eagle ^d							1	T
Prairie falcon					1	0.2	2	M
Ring-necked pheasant					39	7.4	4	В
Sandhill crane					5	0.9	2	T
Killdeer ^d							1	T
Willet					4	8.0	2	M
Long-billed curlew					5	0.9	2	T
Wilson's snipe	1	0.03			7	1.3	3	Т
Franklin's gull					2	0.4	2	M
California gull					8	1.5	3	M
Rock pigeon					41	7.8	4	В
Mourning dove	3	0.10	0.018	0.021	4	8.0	2	L
Great horned owl							1	T
Short-eared owl					1	0.2	2	T
Hairy woodpecker ^d	•	0.40	0.007	0.000	4.4	0.7	1	M
Willow flycatcher	3	0.10	0.027	0.030	14	2.7	3	T
Eastern kingbird	9	0.30	0.091	0.069	20	3.8	4	B
Black-billed magpie					6	1.1	3	L
American crow					1	0.2	2	T
Horned lark ^d	0	0.07	0.050	0.055	0.4	4.0	1	T T
Cliff swallow	8	0.27	0.056	0.055	24	4.6	4	T T
Barn swallow	d				12	2.3	3	T
Black-capped chickadee					4	0.2	1	M
Rock wren					1	0.2	2	M T
House wren ^d					4	0.2	1	
Ruby-crowned kinglet	1	0.02			1	0.2 1.1	1 3	M T
American robin Gray catbird	1 2	0.03	0.014	0.010	6 5		3 2	L
	3	0.07	0.014	0.018		0.9 4.7	4	
Sprague's pipit	3 3	0.10	0.035	0.039	25		3	В
Yellow warbler	ა 5	0.10 0.17	0.042	0.046	14 17	2.7 3.2	3 4	B B
Common yellowthroat Wilson's warbler ^d	ວ	0.17	0.309	0.288	17	J.Z	4 1	M
	4	0.02			2	0.6	2	T
Spotted towhee Clay-colored sparrow	1 24	0.03 0.80	5.522	3.269	3 42	0.6 8.0	4	В
Ciay-colored Sparrow	24	0.80	5.522	3.209	42	0.0	4	ט

	Birds/Count Density						Abundance Breeding		
Species	Total #a	Period ^a	(Birds/ha)	^a 90% Cl ^a	Total #b	% of total ^b	Category	Status	
Vesper sparrow	5	0.17	0.092	0.084	16	3.0	3	В	
Savannah sparrow	4	0.13	0.071	0.072	10	1.9	3	В	
Baird's sparrow	1	0.03			1	0.2	1	L	
Song sparrow	2	0.07			12	2.3	3	В	
Red-winged blackbird	2	0.07	0.126	0.162	24	4.6	4	В	
Western meadowlark	12	0.40	0.221	0.150	43	8.2	4	L	
Brown-headed cowbird	5	0.17	0.077	0.077	11	2.1	3	T	
American goldfinch	1	0.03			14	2.7	3	L	

^a Breeding season point count results (data truncated at 100 m). Sample sizes of one were too small for density analysis and were eliminated from the table.
^b Total number recorded and percent of total based on unlimited distance point counts.
^c B = Breeder; L = Likely Breeder; T = Transient; M = Migrant.
^d Encountered outside of point counts.